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The annual event will take place in late January to help collect valuable data on populations across the city

ECHO PARK - Los Angeles City Councilmember Mitch O'Farrell announced Monday that several sites within the 13th District will serve as hubs for the 2017 Greater Los Angeles Homeless Count being conducted by the Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority (LAHSA).

The Homeless Count is a 3-day, on the ground, county-wide census of its neediest stakeholders. This timely data drives federal funding assistance and provides valuable information to City and County legislators to help allocate local funding assistance.

"The City is in the midst of a crisis, and the Greater Los Angeles Homeless Count will help provide current data to help us target where supportive services are needed the most," said Councilmember O'Farrell. "Only then can we determine exactly where those resources should be directed in my District and beyond."

The Los Angeles Metro Homeless Count is slated for the night of **January 26, 2016 in the following areas in the 13th District:** East Hollywood, Echo Park, Glassell Park, Hollywood, Westlake, and Wilshire Center-Koreatown. A complete list can be found [here](#).

Residents are advised that LAHSA will be aided by thousands of volunteers across the City, who will be walking or driving in groups to take the census block by block.

"We are tremendously grateful to the volunteers from across Los Angeles County who are participating in this year's count," said Tom Waldman, LAHSA director of communications. "Through their efforts LAHSA and its partner agencies will be better able to direct services where they are most needed for people experiencing homelessness." Councilmember O'Farrell encourages all communities within CD13 and across the City to participate in the 2016 Homeless Count for their respective areas, whether it is providing an area deployment site or volunteering to assist in this important community effort.

The Greater Los Angeles Homeless Count takes place **January 24, 25 & 26, 2017 in communities across the city**, and is expected to be the largest homeless census in the nation. Organizers are currently looking for 6,000 volunteers to support this important effort to serve the homeless men, women and children in need of our support. Volunteers can register for the 2017 Homeless Count at www.TheyCountWillYou.org.

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